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JULIAN BYRD - - - - - Manager

It is more comfortable to be a poor newspaper man than the president of some banks, at least from the number of indictments.

President Roosevelt has declared most positively against a third term, but some people are from Missouri—Bourne for instance.

It looks like we will not have a holiday all next week—except the school children whose teachers attend the institute—as Gov. Chamberlain has announced he will not issue a proclamation.

There seem to be a tendency in congress to postpone almost everything until after the presidential election. Some of the measures proposed might be postponed indefinitely and no one would be hurt.

Senator Fulton has introduced bills appropriating \$100,000 for public buildings at La Grande, Pendleton, Oregon City, Albany and Roseburg, and \$2,500,000 at Portland. Perhaps we'd better remind the Senator of that experiment farm that is needed in Harney county.

The receiver of the Title Guarantee & Trust Co., the bank that closed in Portland recently, has made a report to the federal court. According to this report the assets exceed the liabilities over \$600,000. It is possible all the accounts cannot be collected, but it should be able to pay dollar for dollar.

Mr. Harriman has always had first place in our hearts, at least since he began the railroad survey through central Oregon, but the people of Harney county will experience a change of heart if he should allow the electric road to get in first. In that case our objections would be transferred to the electric line—in fact we will give the first railroad into the Harney country the preference, regardless of its name.

MONEY IS PLENTIFUL.

The showing made by twenty-nine National banks in this state outside of Portland is ample and unmistakable evidence that the financial interests of the various sections of Oregon represented in the table are in the hands of conservative men. With an average cash reserve of 44 per cent of the deposits of \$12,150,000 nearly \$1,000,000 of United States bonds to secure circulation and an additional \$1,500,000 of United States and other bonds, it is not to be wondered that the "country banks," as they are termed, have in most cases been increasing their deposits at a time when there have been heavy withdrawals from the larger institutions in the cities.

It seems clear that the National banks outside of Portland, including the sixteen not heard from by The Oregonian, hold, exclusive of all other collateral, cash and United States bonds to secure circulation to the extent of fully \$10,000,000. In the face of such a showing it is easy to understand the difficulty that would be encountered in starting a run on any of these conservatively conducted institutions. Even in far-away Burns, in one of the most remote regions of the state, the two banks have \$250,000 cash on hand and their deposits have increased \$76,000 since August. These country banks have stood the strain and actually increased their deposits and strengthened their resources at a time when the suspicious depositors of the big cities were drawing out money and hiding it in deposit vaults. It does not necessarily reflect on the less fortunate banker of the big city that his depositors should lose confidence at a time when the confidence of the country depositors remains unimpaired.

Environment is undoubtedly a contributing factor in the retention of confidence in the smaller city. There the banker is personally acquainted with practically all of his patrons and opportunity to keep in reasonably close touch with all that is going on is much greater than it is in the big cities. The country banker might directly steal the funds of his depositors, but the

possibility of the Lafe Pence and Gus Lowits securing them in wholesale quantities would be much more remote than they would be in the larger cities. When some country Cooper Morris on a small salary began too rapid an accumulation of big automobiles, suspicion would be aroused and a halt called before it was too late.

The solidity of the banks outside of Portland has been demonstrated beyond question. The same is true of the banks which have successfully weathered a storm in Portland. Now that the actual condition of all these institutions has been disclosed and shown to be perfectly healthy, it will be advisable for the hoarders to withdraw from the stockpiles, teapots and safety deposit vaults the money which should be in circulation, earning something for its owners and facilitating business for good, responsible borrowers who have security of unquestionable value.—Oregonian.

According to Portland papers the democrats and republicans will each hold state conventions in the old way to elect delegates to the national conventions and to nominate presidential electors. This seems necessary as the primary law does not cover those selections.

GUARDS NOT RESPONSIBLE.

Forest Guards Pearson and Bennett called at this office the other day explained their duties and showed the manager of this great religious weekly that such articles as were published in these columns last week created a prejudice against them which they do not deserve. These men are working under orders from men higher up and in no case have exceeded their authority. The writer was shown the law governing the removal of any timber—whether within the reserve or not—is an unlawful act without first securing a permit. This law was passed in 1882 but has been a dead letter up until the matter was turned over to the forestry department. We have been enjoying privileges that are now to come to a halt and no doubt many of the complaints that have been registered are through ignorance of this law and that forest guards have this portion of the timber to look after the same as in the reserve.

Mr. Pearson also explained as to fines imposed (which in fact are not fines but propositions of trespassers themselves.) According to blanks furnished, a party admitting to have cut timber unlawfully upon government land is given the liberty to make his own estimate of the worth of such timber and fills out the blank and swears to it before a notary public and himself sends the amount direct to the department. The forest officer makes his own report separately and this is sent to the department. It has been found that people have misrepresented particular instances to this paper where it was made to appear the forest guards were to blame for discrimination.

The Times-Herald does not approve of the reserve policy, but has no desire to misrepresent matters. It is a policy that we must stand unless congress succeeds in modifying the bad and burdensome features.

ROOSEVELT NOT A CANDIDATE.

A Washington dispatch of Dec. 11, says: President Roosevelt will not be a candidate for a third term. All doubt of this point was tonight dispelled by an authoritative statement from the White House that Mr. Roosevelt still adheres to the declaration of renunciation made on the night of the election three years ago. In the statement issued tonight, President Roosevelt says he has not changed and shall not change the decision delivered to the American people in 1904. It appears that President Roosevelt had been awaiting the call for the Republican national convention to afford the proper opportunity for making his position clear and unmistakable, thus leaving the field clear for Fairbanks, Taft, Knox, Foraker and other declared or receptive candidates for Republican nomination. The president's statement follows:

"On the night of election I made the following announcement:

"I am deeply sensible of the honor done me by the American people in thus expressing their confidence in what I have done and have tried to do. I appreciate to the full the solemn responsibility this confidence im-

poses upon me, and I shall do all that in my power lies, not to forfeit it. On the fourth of March next I shall have served three and a half years and this three and a half years constitute my first term. The wise custom which limits the president to two terms regards the substance and not the form, and under no circumstances will I be a candidate for or accept another nomination."

"I have not changed and shall not change the decision just announced."

Judge Gantenbein has been chosen by his associates on the circuit court bench in Multnomah county to preside over the juvenile court the position held by the late Arthur Fraizer.

Morrow county people have been having coyote chases. This is most pleasant and profitable sport that should be indulged in every county in eastern Oregon.

JUDGE FEE DON'T WANT IT.

In a recent communication addressed to the East Oregonian by Judge Stephen Lowell, the latter mentions the name of Judge A. Fee in connection with the nomination for congress. To this Judge Fee dissents and says:

"Judge Lowell has paid me the compliment of connecting my name with the congressional nomination, and I thank him for the honor; but having served as mayor of Pendleton for two years I am surfeited with honors and curses and I feel that I could not, without loss of dignity, descend from the mayor's office to the more humble position of congressman."

"Besides I want to remain at home and see what the people are going to do to my successor. I want to see the garden of municipal joy blossom around him for a couple of years."

"Before Judge Ellis accepted his last nomination he voluntarily tendered me his assistance. If I would become a candidate, I declined and supported him, which I feel under obligations to do again should he seek the place."

"I have a special interest in his re-nomination for he is a resident of Umatilla county and I prefer a man from here for any office from president to scab inspector, because I have direct evidence of the ability of our citizens to fill these places while I have to rely upon hearsay when a candidate comes from abroad."

"I cannot agree with Judge Lowell regarding Mr. Ellis' ability although I will admit that when Mr. Ellis was in congress before I entertained similar views to those expressed."

"I have this excuse, however to offer: my opinion was based purely on hearsay testimony. I had little knowledge of the actual amount of drudgery a congressman's constituency expects him to perform and far less knowledge regarding the ability

of Judge Ellis. "After he went on the bench I learned to respect his ability, but above all his sterling honesty, his absolute fairness and impartiality won my esteem and no man who ever sat upon the circuit bench of the state has a better standing before the supreme court."

HINTS ON ALFALFA GROWING.

In his book entitled "The Book of Alfalfa," F. D. Colburn of Kansas gives the following list of don'ts on alfalfa culture:

Don't sow on freshly plowed land.

Don't let weeds or grass grow over six inches high without clipping.

Don't clip or mow when wet with rain or dew.

Don't let alfalfa stand; if turning yellow, cut it.

Don't sow less than twenty-five pounds per acre, one-half each way.

Don't sow on land that will not raise 250 bushels of potatoes per acre.

Don't sow twenty-five acres at first; sow five.

Don't put any of the rotten manure anywhere but on your alfalfa plot.

Don't depend on "culture cakes" or soil from some distant field.

Don't let any water stand on it.

Don't let it go if a thin stand but disk in more seed; don't be afraid you will kill it.

Don't replot the land; disk it. Don't wait for it to stool; it never does.

Don't try to cut for hay until the alfalfa takes the field.

Don't sow on any field not well undergrained.

Don't leave your land rough; use a roller or a plank float to level and smooth it.

BIG SUMS GO EAST.

It is estimated that about \$10,000 are sent east every month from the John Day portion of Grant County. This is a heavy drain and it is to be hoped that the merchants' association of the county will be able to devise a remedy. If ever a county was stripped it is Grant, and some means for inducing purchasers to trade at home more ought to be devised. Postmaster-General Meyer says that the transportation companies and department stores are driving the country merchants to the wall and that the way to reinforce him and his business is to have cheap local delivery of merchantable packages.

The local merchants seem to think otherwise, but if their business is gradually drained away from them it might be worth while to try the parcel post with its discriminating mail delivery. Also, distributed business of classified and complete assortments in individual lines, with wide and specific publicity, after the manner of the department stores might avail something.—Grant County News.

Geo. Porter is home from a visit to Sherman county and other points.

NO TRESPASSING.

Hunting is forbidden upon my premises. Trespassers will be prosecuted.

H. C. LEVENS.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE  
Burns, Oregon, October 25, 1907.  
Notice is hereby given that John H. Jennings, of Burns, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 1222 made December 10, 1902, for the E 1/2 of E 1/2 section 22, township 21 south, Range 22 East, N. 21, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver, at Burns, Oregon, on December 1, 1907.  
He agrees the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of the land, viz: James Gilbert, William H. Morrison, both of Harney, Oregon; Ralph Hubbard, James Kennedy, both of Burns, Oregon.  
W. N. FARRIS, Register.

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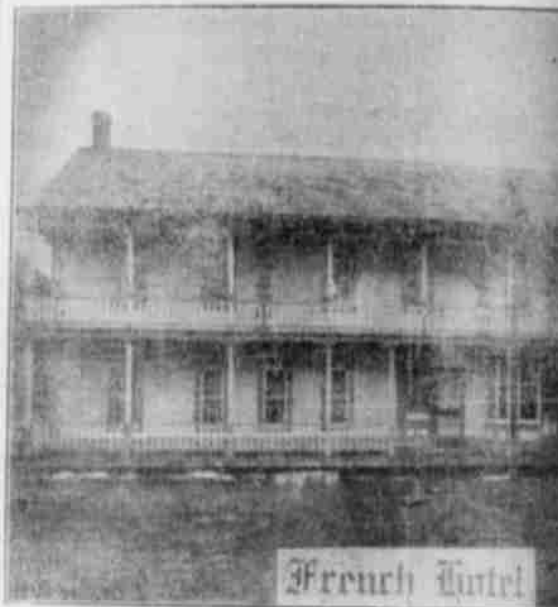
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